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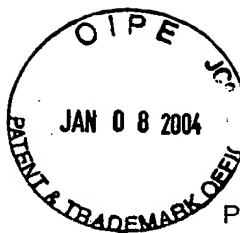
In re Application of: Yurimichi DAIROKU et al.

Serial No.: 09/917,642

Filed: July 31, 2001

For: **WATER-ABSORBENT, HYDROPOLYMER, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THEM,  
AND USES OF THEM**

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Sir:

In response to the October 14, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified  
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